Train Testing Along the Western Rail Corridor

During this week, Phase 2 Silver Line test trains have been running along sections of track on the aerial guideway near the future Dulles Airport Metrorail Station and on tracks just east and west of the station.

In addition, trains can be seen operating at the site of the 90-acre rail yard on Airports Authority property along Old Ox Road (Route 606) in eastern Loudoun County.

These trains are polishing the rail, a technique that removes any rust that may have accumulated on the tracks. Polishing, which is expected to take several weeks, must be done prior to actual testing which is expected to begin in the rail yard in late spring or early summer.

Check out the test trains parked in the Layup Yard tracks at the rail yard with the Transportation Building in the background. (Courtesy of Chuck Samuelson, DCMP)

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Windscreen to Complete Iconic Look of Airport Metro Station

Major progress is being made on a dramatic glass windscreen under construction at the future Metrorail station at Dulles Airport.

The windscreen will not only protect future rail passengers from winds but will also create a dramatic vista that mimics the Eero Saarinen-designed airport terminal that the station faces across Saarinen Circle, also known as the parking bowl. The station is located adjacent to the daily parking garage.

The windscreen is being erected by W.M. Schlosser, the contractor who has recently completed 20 columns that will support the giant glass wall on the station’s south side facing the terminal and louvers on the north side.

Later this spring, crews will begin erecting the screen. Installing the glass is a very complex process and some construction activities will cause lane closures, according to rail project officials.

Stephen Barna, who oversees the windscreen installation for the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, the entity building the Silver Line, said there is lot of preparation work still to be done before the glass goes up. He said the contractor hopes that work can begin in May. Much depends on weather and virus protection limitations.

Work is in progress to place the windscreen at the future Dulles Airport Metrorail Station. (Courtesy of Chuck Samuelson, DCMP)

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